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EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned

FOR: METHOD FOR DYNAMICALLY ALLOCATING TIME SLOTS OF A COMMON TDMA BROADCAST CHANNEL TO A NETWORK OF

TRANSCEIVER NODES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 2 and 13 and replace Claims 1 and 12 with the following:

1. (Once Replaced) A method for allocating a set of time slots belonging to a common time division multiple access (TDMA) channel to a network of transceiver nodes, the method comprising the steps of:

dividing said set of time slots into a plurality of time slot sub-sets;

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postpaid in an envelope, addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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